WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A gas generation system, comprising:

a reformer for producing a hydrogen-containing reformate gas using raw materials, at least a first of the raw materials containing carbon and hydrogen;

a separator device configured to selectively separate the hydrogen-containing reformate gas into hydrogen and a residual gas;

a recirculation system for recirculating an amount of the residual gas from a first location downstream of the separator device to a second location upstream from the separator device.

- 2. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the second location is directly in front of the separator device.
- 3. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the second location is in an entry area where the raw materials enter the reformer.
- 4. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, further comprising an enrichment device configured to enrich the hydrogen-containing reformate gas with hydrogen and disposed between the reformer and the separator device, wherein the second location is between the reformer and the enrichment device.
- 5. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the separator device includes at least one diaphragm selectively permeable for hydrogen.
- 6. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the recirculation system includes a transport device for the recirculated residual gas.
- 7. The gas generation system as recited in claim 6, wherein the transport device includes a gas jet pump driven by a volume flow of at least one of the raw materials or the hydrogen-containing reformate gas stream.

- 8. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the reformer includes a steam reformer.
- 9. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the reformer includes an autothermal reformer.
- 10. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the gas generation system is configured to generate a hydrogen-containing gas from one of a liquid hydrocarbons and hydrocarbon derivatives for operating a fuel cell.
- 11. The gas generation system as recited in claim 10, wherein the gas generation system is configured to generate a hydrogen-containing gas from one of a gasoline and a diesel oil.
- 12. The gas generation system as recited in claim 10, wherein the fuel cell is part of a drive system for one of a water transportation device, a land transportation device, and an air transportation device.
- 13. The gas generation system as recited in claim 10, wherein the fuel cell is part of an auxiliary power unit.
- 14. The gas generation system as recited in claim 13, wherein, the auxiliary power unit is utilized in a transportation device, the transportation device including at least one of a water transportation device, a land transportation device, and an air transportation device.
- 15. The gas generation system as recited in claim 14, wherein the transportation device is driven by an internal combustion engine.
- 16. The gas generation system as recited in claim 1, wherein the residual gas includes hydrogen.